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# Camp Meeting Announcements

The North Dakota and South Dakota Camp Meeting will convene in Minot, North Dakota, June 28 through July 4.

The Alabama Camp Meeting will convene in Birmingham, June 28 through July 4. A. M. Phillips and E. M. Ellis will be the speakers.

The North Carolina Camp Meeting will convene in Charlotte, June 28 through July 4. James L. Slay and Charles W. Conn will be the speakers.

The South Carolina Camp Meeting will convene at Mauldin, June 28 through July 4. D. C. Boatwright will be the speaker.

The Pennsylvania Camp Meeting will convene at Somerset, June 28 through July 8. L. C. Heaston and R. P. Johnson will be the speakers.

The West Virginia Camp Meeting will convene in Beckley, June 28 through July 3. The speaker will be Raymond E. Crowley.

The Texas Camp Meeting will convene in Weatherford, June 28 through July 4. Luther J. Turner will be the speaker.

The Oklahoma Camp Meeting will convene at Chandler, June 28 through July 4. David Lemons and J. E. DeVore will be the speakers.

## SONGS ARE BORN AT MIDNIGHT

It was the death of Lizzie DeArmond's daughter that inspired the grief-stricken mother to write, "We'll Say Good Night Here but Good Morning up There."

Beset by financial difficulties, and grieving over the impending death of his wife, a California minister (Maxwell Cornelius) penned the words of a now-famous hymn "Some Time We'll Understand." Shortly thereafter, he read the poem at her funeral.

A Chicago businessman, H. G. Spafford, lost his four children in a mid-ocean disaster. Sometime later he wrote the hymn, "It Is Well With My Soul." And it was well with the souls of his four children, for all of them had accepted Christ in a Dwight L. Moody meeting shortly before their ill-fated voyage.

John Gould was a successful businessman and musician. Falling health caused him to plan an ocean voyage to Algiers, a trip from which he never returned. On the night before embarkation, he composed the music for Edward Hopper's "Jesus, Saviour Pilot Me."

And Hopper himself was not without his share of trials. A mission superintendent in New York City, for many years he suffered with severe heart trouble. He died suddenly while writing a poem about heaven.—Phil Kerr.

## SPECIAL NOTICES

Remember July 4, a big day at the Church of God Orphanage home-coming. All boys and girls who have left the home be sure to come.

Anyone having friends or relatives stationed at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi, please contact: Douglas M. Bishop, 1115 W. Howard Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi.

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## DECLARATION OF FAITH

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1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism of the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper; and washing of the saints' feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

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# religious news



## COMMISSION ON CHAPLAINS National Association of Evangelicals The Changing World

What vast changes have taken place in this old world since 1945! The time has come for the Church to take more active interest in this generation of young people. Our young people are living in a militarized civilization, and, for many reasons, we believe that they will continue to live in this kind of atmosphere for a long time to come. I am writing from Berlin, 115 miles within the Russian Zone. I feel the tenseness of the German people. They live only from day to day, wondering what is likely to happen on the morrow. This condition has brought a new situation into American life.

The struggle which we call a cold war, for want of a better name, envelops the globe. We find American youth in every country under the sun. The present struggle with Communism necessitates armed American preparedness on a tremendous scale for many years to come. All of us and our church organizations will continue to be affected by this militarized way of life.

The fact is that most young men and many young women of this generation are serving in uniform in the Far East, the Middle East, the Far North, and Europe. I have personally visited most of these places, and I have seen them there. It is no longer a dream, for they walk the streets of every country, with the exception of Russia and China.

One million of our young men enter military service each year, and one million return to civilian life each year. The condition in which they return to civilian life depends, to a great degree, on the pre-induction preparation given them for their tour of duty. We cannot minimize the responsibility of the Church to these young people, who find themselves in the center of this trying situation. Military service is going to continue, and our junior and intermediate boys in Sunday School are going to see military training and active duty. If we have faltered with those who are already in the service or those who are about to enter, we can still turn our attention to these younger ones and indoctrinate them in the fundamentals of the Word of God so that they will be better prepared spiritually for their tour of duty.

Douglas G. Scott, Executive Director  
Commission on Chaplains  
National Association of Evangelicals

## BIBLE BY BALLOON EFFECTIVE (EP) Balloon-carried Bibles and

gospel tracts, released by the International Council of Christian Churches, are having their impact behind the Iron Curtain, the North American Newspaper Alliance reports. According to word based on interviews with refugees slipping into West Germany, people are reading the tracts, which were printed in Polish, Czech, and Russian. The report has spurred 1,000 leaders to attempt to "air express" 500,000 Bibles and millions of tracts within the next few months.

## ALCOHOLICS COST CALIFORNIA TWELVE TIMES MORE THAN LIQUOR TAX

LOS ANGELES (EP) California's alcoholics annually cost the State twelve times the total revenue derived from liquor taxes, according to Dr. Lester Breslow of the State Department of Public Health, says the *Los Angeles Times*. He made this assertion recently at the closing session of the Institute for the Prevention of Alcoholism. The sessions were held at Loma Linda. Dr. Breslow puts the cost of alcoholism to California at \$300,000,000 annually. He said this includes hospital, police, and treatment costs, plus loss of income. Liquor revenues provide \$25,000,000 a year.

## WORK OF FLYING SAUCERS CONTINUES

AMARILLO, Texas (EP) General Nathan F. Twining, the Air Force Chief of Staff, said today that the Air Force has the best brains in the country working on "the flying saucer problem." Twining said that about 90 per cent of the reports of flying saucers are pure imagination, but the Air Force can't explain the other 10 per cent. "We just don't know about that 10 percent," he said. "If they are from Mars, and there are a people and a world that far ahead of us, I don't think we even have to worry about it."

So far, he said, no facts have been uncovered to show that there is anything to flying saucers. But, he said, "some very reliable" persons have reported flying objects that can't be identified. "We are certainly working on the problem and are not discounting all these reports," he said.

## ATOMIC COST SET AT 11 BILLIONS

NEW YORK (EP) World atomic supremacy has cost American taxpayers \$11,000,000,000 since 1947, Chairman Lewis L. Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission said recently. That was the bill for uranium, plants and laboratories, manufacture of test weapons, and fundamental research, he

said. It included hydrogen bomb developments through last summer, according to Strauss' computations. The figure does not include estimates in the budget bill now pending in Congress, Strauss said. Operating costs now have reached the \$1,000,000,000-a-year mark, he said, and they may double.

## HOPE TO CONTROL LEPROSY SOON

DALLAS, Texas (EP) World-wide control of leprosy by 1974 was set as the goal of American Leprosy Missions, Inc., at the agency's forty-sixth annual convention here. Harold H. Henderson, general secretary, said that year was selected as the "target" because it is the centennial of the isolation of the leprosy germ by Dr. Gerhard Armauer Hansen. "There never was a day until now when any person could justify a terminal date when leprosy might be brought under control," he said, "but now we are on the threshold of a new day and a goal can be set."

Although generally optimistic, Mr. Henderson stressed the need for governments of areas where Hansen's disease persists to assume complete responsibility for its control. But he said that "we stand ready to care for the needs of victims not covered by others." American Leprosy Missions, founded in 1906, maintains or aids 153 leper colonies, hospitals, and institutions in 38 countries with the cooperation of 61 Protestant mission boards.

## SAYS BIBLE MUST EQUAL TV SET

PITTSBURGH, Penn. (EP) Unless the Bible is given a place in the home "no less prominent than the TV set," America is in danger of losing the cold war, a leading industrialist warned here. Clifford F. Hood, president of the U.S. Steel Corporation, said that "Christianity and freedom are inseparable" and urged a return to Bible study to avert loss of individual liberty in this country. He addressed the tenth annual Lenten corporate communion service of the Pittsburgh Episcopal diocese. "Wherever freedom has retreated before the onslaught of Communism or its equivalent, the actual practicing of Christianity likewise has lost ground," Mr. Hood said.

Some part of the Bible has been published in 1,077 languages and dialects, as of December 31, 1953, according to a statement issued by the American Bible Society. Despite these amazing strides, there is still a long way to go, for at least another 1,000 languages await translation.





# Seeing Jesus

By CLARK S. CULP

State Youth and Sunday School Director of Indiana

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John 19:5, "Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man."

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WITH A MERE GESTURE of his hand, Pontius Pilate, procurator of all Judea, invited a milling throng of excited, gesticulating people to behold the Man Christ Jesus. It was most unusual that such a crowd would be assembled in Pilate's judgment Hall at that early hour, but this was a different occasion—an angry mob was clamoring for the very life of Jesus. Jesus stood meekly before Pilate; His hands were bound behind Him, and a tattered purple garment lay across His shoulders and a crown of thorns was on His brow. His eyes, deep, translucent and framed in sockets of Gethsemanean haggardness, reflected the tenderness and compassion that He had for mankind. Certainly this must have been *the Man*. Why, even Pilate could not call Him just a man.

Jesus was led out of Pilate's presence and up Calvary's mountain, where He was crucified between two thieves. Around the cross was a mixed multitude of people. Some were laughing, jeering, mocking, and accusing; others were pointing their fingers of scorn and ridicule. There were a few faithful followers and ardent admirers whose hearts were overwhelmed with sorrow while their eyes were flooded with tears at what they were witnessing there that day. An uncanny darkness loomed over the earth, and lightning flashed through the skies like daggers of fire! There were mighty thunderings; an earthquake broke rocks into pieces and rent the veil of the Temple from top to bottom. During all this horrible scene, Jesus prayed for the forgiveness of those who had cruelly mistreated Him. Then, when all the centuries of future time seemed to be compressed into one moment, He cried, "It is finished," and His life expired. The price was paid for sin far and wide—salvation was complete!

In the mixed crowd around the cross, amid shouting and confusion, everyone held his own opinion of Christ. Some believed He would have led the Jews against the Roman Empire but had failed. Others thought He was a threat to some men's positions. There were those who believed Him to be a good man, deluded and deceived. Many called Him a blasphemer and a conspirator, but most thought He was an impostor worthy of death.

JESUS USUALLY IS to people what they see in Him. Let's accept Pilate's invitation to "behold the Man."

John the Baptist saw Jesus as the Lamb of God and referred to Him as such in John 1:29. John was the last prophet of the Old Testament and the first evangelist of the New Testament. As a prophet, he proclaimed God's Word to Israel, calling her from lethargy. He preached and worked like a prophet, and because he was a prophet, he looked upon Jesus as a lamb. A slain lamb in the Old Testament was the requirement for the atonement of sins. As an evangelist, John saw Christ as the One who was able to take away the sins of the whole world. Of course, to see Christ as a Lamb, we must see Him as the Son of God. He is the fulfillment of the law and all that grace could produce.

One day when Bartimaeus was sitting near the city limits of Jericho, a strange noise came to his hearing. Listening intently as a throng of people passed that way, he heard the name of Jesus mentioned by one in the fringe of the crowd. Bartimaeus, remembering what Jesus had done for others in need, was seized with excitement. Faith was awakened, and his hope quickly grew as he cupped his hands to his mouth and cried out, "Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me." The crowd tried to discourage him, but he cried all the louder in his desperation. After Jesus heard Bartimaeus' request, He commanded him to receive his sight, and He asserted that his faith was the great factor in his healing. Bartimaeus' attitude was different from that of the crowd following Jesus. They expected Jesus to re-establish the throne of David in that time, but Bartimaeus saw Jesus as a Saviour and a Healer. May we look upon Him as an all-sufficient Christ—One who supplies our every need for spirit, soul, and body.

A young ruler came to Jesus inquiring the way to eternal life. Presumably having inherited his wealth, he expected to inherit eternal life also, but Jesus didn't answer the flattery of his mouth—He answered the heart. That young man wanted Jesus' philosophy, as if He were no more than another Socrates, Plato, or Aristotle. After Jesus told the man what he must do, he turned away tearfully, not because he was repentant, but because he was scorned. The statements of Jesus do not form hooks upon which we can hang finely spun theories of philosophy. Jesus never resorted to trickery nor evasiveness. He

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# The Origin, Effects, and Final Disposition of Sin

By THOMAS R. CULP, Pastor, Waynesburg, Pennsylvania

## WHAT IS SIN?

*"Whatsoever is not of faith is sin," Romans 14:23a. Vain talk is sin, Proverbs 10:19. Contempt for others is sin, Proverbs 14:21. "The thought of foolishness is sin," Proverbs 24:9a. Neglect of opportunity is sin, James 4:17. Transgression of the law is sin, 1 John 3:4. We could give many more definitions of sin, but the one in 1 John 5:17a includes others—"All unrighteousness is sin."*



**I**F WE TURN from one sin because it is unrighteous and God has forbidden it, we should turn from all sin for the same reason. Sin is a dishonor to God, a reproach to Christ, a grief to the Holy Spirit, and a wound to Christianity. Only one sin can do much harm; only one sin stripped the angels of their dignity and glory; only one sin robbed our first parents of their dignity and power; only one disease may rob you of all your health; only one thief may rob you of all your wealth; only one dagger plunged into your heart may kill as effectively as ten. If a ship springs a leak in ten places and all places are stopped except one, that one leak will sink the ship. We cannot take one sin into our bosom and shut out all the others. They come in swarms at the bid of the lone occupant. I deplore sin because in its cunning, deceitful, shameful way it is the ruination of many people.

We should remember that "we are the temples of the Holy Spirit" and that a holy God will not share honors with an unholy devil. We cannot divide our hearts between holiness and sin, nor between Christ and the world. We must abandon all sin—our open sin, our secret sins, our small sins, and our large sins. May the Holy Spirit impress us now that sin is sin, hell is hot, eternity is long, and God will be our Judge, according to His Holy Word.

## WHERE DID SIN ORIGINATE?

God tells us in 1 John 3:8, "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." (Read also John 8:44.) We learn from the Scripture that "God created man in his own image," Genesis 1:27. God created man, not only with a soul and body, but also with a spirit within him that he might know the things of God and have fellowship with Him. God created Adam and Eve without sin; they were created in the image of God and His Son and were placed in the Garden of Eden. He made provisions for their every need. They were surrounded with the beauty of nature. There was only one restriction made, Genesis 2:16, 17. Adam and Eve did not need to know evil, but the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord had made. He deceived Eve into disobeying God's command, and persuading her husband to disobey God, also. Adam was not deceived

by the serpent, but was influenced by Eve. "By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for all have sinned," Romans 5:12.

## WHAT EFFECT DOES SIN HAVE ON AN INDIVIDUAL?

1. **SIN BLINDS.** One who is spiritually blind cannot see the beauty of Christ. "He that hateth his brother is in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes," 1 John 2:11.

2. **SIN DEFILES.** When our hearts are impure, we cannot conceive holy things, for those things which come out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile the man, Matthew 15:19.

3. **SIN PARALYZES.** The will is ineffective, "For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more reward," Ecclesiastes 9:5.

4. **SIN DECEIVES.** "But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin," Hebrews 3:13.

5. **SIN ROBS.** The sinner is robbed of that peace of God which passeth all understanding, Isaiah 48:22.

6. **SIN BRINGS REPROACH.** "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people," Proverbs 14:34.

7. **SIN BRINGS SHAME.** "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting contempt," Daniel 12:2.

8. **SIN BRINGS SORROW.** Every sorrow is the consequence of sin. The Psalmist prayed in Psalm 51:9, 12a, "Hide thy face from my sins. Restore unto me the joy of salvation."

9. **SIN CAUSES HATRED.** Only one who has sin in his heart can hold a bitter aversion against his fellow man, Proverbs 8:36.

10. **SIN BRINGS SICKNESS.** "And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years . . . the impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool. . . Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed and walk. And immediately the man was made whole . . . Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him,

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# THE WAR OF THE WORLDS.

... When? Where? Who Fighting? ...

By DAVID G. CULP

Daniel 11:36, 45, *"And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done. Yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him."*

ON AUGUST 6, 1945, a new era was ushered in on the perplexed people of a war-torn world. The darkest hours of World War II were seemingly past but still the battle raged. The most decisive blow of the war came on that tense August morning as a lone plane flew 18,000 miles over the troubled waters of the Pacific to drop the first atomic bomb of the war; thus killing 140,000 Japanese people and leaving the city of Hiroshima in ruin.

Since that time science has progressed with such rapidity that its discoveries and events have caused suspense the world over, for a cloak of fear is settling around its inhabitants. Have these achievements lessened world tension? Have they put the uneasy minds of men at ease? Have they brought peace within the grasp of the peace loving? Quite the contrary, for they have prompted men of all walks of life to fear for the security of tomorrow. Yes, even those of high political standing have predicted a dark future. While President of the United States, Harry S. Truman said, "Atomic war will start on or at least by 1954." While serving as supreme commander of forces in Europe, ex-General Dwight D. Eisenhower said, "Modern weapons leave the world with very little hope of tomorrow."

NEVER has there been such a feeling of uncertainty prevailing in the minds of men as there is today. People are living in constant fear, knowing that an unfavorable reaction will be the outgrowth of the evil spirit of greed and lust for power in the world.

Nations are girding themselves for a titanic struggle for supremacy. Factories, producing implements of war, are going day and night. The national stockpiles are being enlarged to increase preparedness. Men are being trained in the artful use of modern warfare, for the weapons of only yesterday are outmoded and laid aside to make way for more powerful, modern weapons.

The Atlantic and Pacific are no longer walls of defense that they have been down through the centuries. The age of jets, robots, and atomic power has made it possible to strike a disastrous blow by air from almost any point in the world. Not only a city, but a nation can be greatly weakened by bombs capable of destroying, not hundreds or thousands, but millions of people at one time.

WHAT WILL BE the final outcome of this evil spirit? Bible scholars are agreed that the stage is being prepared for the appearance of the antichrist and

that Satan is the prime instigator of this compelling influence. This will inevitably lead to the rapture of the Church and to the dawning of the great tribulation period.

As to the days following the rapture, we are not left ignorant, for God has given us a vivid picture in His Word concerning these days. There can be no doubt that sadness and turmoil will exist after the Church has been raptured, and the antichrist has exalted himself as God. While many have, to some extent, foretold the awfulness of that day, words have failed to give a true concept of its great distress.

Winning the confidence of a frustrated people by flatteries, many shall cleave to him in hope that he will restore their lands. Prosperity will be his for a season, but the closing days of his reign will be days of great confusion, for subjects who have been under him will revolt because of the intensified spirit of the age. The refusal of many Jews to accord him the worship he demands will infuriate him: "Therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many," Daniel 11:44.

Angered by the Jewish rebellion, he will sweep down upon the city of Jerusalem, where the houses will be rifled, the women and children ravished and slaughtered and led into captivity. God's chosen people will be victims of a mad, murderous, devil-inspired incursion. It is through the influence of this Satan-possessed leader that opposition against the kingdom of Christ will culminate in an international conference and further defiance against the Lord's purposes.

Not yet satisfied with his attack on the Jewish people, the antichrist will withdraw his armies to his palatial tents, located between the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean Sea—between the glorious holy mountain. Here he will make plans for further aggression, which will lead to the bloodiest conflict of all times. This will take place in the valley of Megiddo, located west of the Jordan in the plain of Jesreel.

WITH ONE LAST furious, concerted, demon-inspired effort, they will hurl their armies against Jerusalem's people, against God, and against His Christ. This will be the battle of Armageddon—the battle in which the Lord, at His coming in glory, will deliver the Jewish remnant, besieged by the Gentile world powers under the antichrist or the beast and false prophet. (Revelation 16:13-16.) John declares, "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in

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# Ye Which Are Spiritual

By W. D. POLEN, Laurel, Mississippi



Text: Galatians 6:1, "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, **YE WHICH ARE SPIRITUAL**, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted."

**P**AUL'S GREAT WORK for the Lord in and around Galatia had been very successful. By the multitudes the people had accepted salvation by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Later Jewish teachers came along teaching insistently that the Gentiles could not be Christians unless they kept the law of Moses. The Galatians were wholeheartedly carried away with this Jewish doctrine. When Paul heard of this falling away of his brethren, he, assuring them that salvation comes only by their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, wrote this letter to them expressing how foolish they had been to accept this false doctrine. "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified," Galatians 2:16. This letter was written about 57 A.D.

Not very long ago I was confronted with a very serious question, which in turn created a problem for me. Previous to this time when I had read from the Scriptures, "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh," I was troubled by this one question "What is meant by this expression?" How do you walk in the Spirit? I knew that Paul was not referring that we should walk around in a trance all the time, because that would cause us to be a mystery instead of an example to our fellow man. I knew, also, that a person's spirituality could not be truly measured in his manner of dress, his frequency of shouting, or the manner in which he spoke with other tongues. When I was just a babe in Christ, I used this criteria for every Christian I would see. My, how silly I was to use such a yardstick to judge others! I was never truly satisfied with this belief, because it was merely how I looked at the situation. My belief was not scripturally sound. All of our beliefs are not sound or true unless they are founded upon the Scriptures, and the Scriptures alone. We should not form beliefs based upon the idea that I believe because our pastor or Brother or Sister So-and-so believes it. They may be wrong. We should believe what God's Word says to us. We must stand and stand alone on what the Scriptures say—not on what we think He says or what we want Him to say, but on what He says. The Scriptures are the Word of God. Therefore, the Lord says the same thing to everyone, and He means exactly what He says. You can believe what you want to about God's Word, but

you cannot believe what you want to and be right. You must believe what God says to you in His Word. This idea that anyone can believe what he wants to believe and that everyone's belief is right is absolutely false. God is truth! He cannot lie; therefore, whatsoever He says is truth. How would God's Word judge us in the day of judgment if we stood before the judgment bar of God and said, "I believe this way about it"? Could anyone be fairly judged with such beliefs? No, not by our holy and righteous heavenly Father!

**NOT BEING SATISFIED** with this belief about spirituality, I said, "Well, Lord, what do you mean when you say, 'Walk in the Spirit'?" Not long after this prayer, as I was reading from the fifth and sixth chapters of Galatians, I read, "This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit," Galatians 5:16-25. All of my questions were answered as I read the Word. How wonderful is the Lord to reveal His Word to us. Bless His holy name! Walking in the Spirit simply means following after the fruits of the Spirit. We are spiritual only to the extent of our yieldingness to the Spirit, and thus permitting the Spirit to bring forth its fruits in our lives. The more fruits of the Spirit we have working in our lives, the more spiritual we are—therefore the less fleshly. The less fruits of the Spirit working in our lives, the more fleshly we are—therefore the less spiritual.

There is no limit to our spirituality, because there is no limit to the workings of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. "But

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# Man and missions

From the Foreign Missions Executive Secretary's Desk, 1080 Montgomery Avenue, Cleveland, Tennessee—PAUL H. WALKER

## FASTNACHT IN GERMANY

By HERMAN LAUSTER

AT THIS TIME of the year, conservative, cultured Germany seems to go completely insane. One can scarcely believe his eyes when he sees such a change take place almost overnight. One day everyone is going about his business modestly and simply dressed, and the next, homes, hotels, stores, and restaurants change into madhouses. Gaudy decorations and vulgar pictures adorn these places, and wherever one looks, you see men and women dressed in all sorts of costumes and acting quite crazy. They may come up to you and hit you over the head, but you dare not do anything. They may curse and swear against the president and Government, but no one may interfere. One may do whatever he wishes at this time of the year, because it is "Fastnacht."

"Fastnacht" was introduced by the Catholic Church. They propose a fast and consecration before Passion Week, and before this fasting time begins, they allow themselves any pleasure they desire. Entire Germany is swept up in this madness, and there is no limit to the sin and evil committed during this time. Immediately after Christmas, a round of balls and parties are begun, and from then until Ash Wednesday everyone talks nothing but "Fastnacht." One can scarcely recognize this wild, mad Germany as the usual quiet, hard-working Germany which most of the world knows.

On Ash Wednesday, after the "Fastnacht" period has ended, all Catholics go to service, and there they put ashes upon their heads and make atonement for the sins committed during their festivities. A so-called fast is begun, but today it is only mockery in its ugliest form. There is not a trace of sincerity left. How our hearts bleed as we must look at this departure from godliness and sanity. We are at present in two revivals in an effort to throw a red light across the paths of these frolicing, pleasure-mad people.

What a way to usher in the week of Christ's suffering! Yet, if we stop to think, the entire world is literally in a "Fastnacht" celebration. How many are saying, "I will allow myself all the pleasure my heart desires and then will seek atonement for my sins afterwards"! How many will be caught in this trap when Jesus Christ comes back to earth! How many have plunged into eternity hugging this empty, worthless promise which cheated them in the end!

Surely you think as we do. "What would happen if Christ or death should come during this time of mad enjoyment?" The people would plunge into hell exactly as they will after they have covered their heads with ashes and fasted (or pretended to) so big. This trap for men's souls is surely one of Satan's masterpieces.

Brother Wade Horton visited us recently. His messages were so powerful, and delivered with such authority that we were stimulated and inspired to surge forward with new boldness and strength. Our hearts were fired with a new passion to preach the beauty of Jesus and the ugliness of sin until Germany is swept with a revival of pure religion.

## REFRESHING SHOWERS IN THE RIVERSIDE MEMORIAL CHURCH OF GOD ON THE ISLAND OF DOMINICA

Greetings to all the Church of God family. We are happy to report of the glorious time we had in the Lord. Thank God for His blessings and for answering our prayer. We were happy to have Brother or Bishop L. R. Summers with us. His stay was short, but it was indeed a real blessing to both believers and non-believers. He visited all three places—Portsmouth, Wesley, and Roseau. Many soul-stirring messages were given by him. We thank him for his visit which was the first time for him in Dominica. Hearts were truly refreshed and blessed. Forty souls were saved in the meetings at Portsmouth, and six came for healing of their bodies. It is enough to rejoice over.

We are going on, although we have no minister. We are doing our best, and the least we do for Jesus will be precious in His sight. We had wonderful evangelistic services and prayer meetings. Testimonies were given by saints who sought and found their Saviour and His pardoning grace. Please continue to pray for us in Dominica that God will send us a suitable person to carry on His work. God bless you.—Louisa Banfield, Clerk.

**NOTE:** Dominica is a small island on the eastern side of the Caribbean Sea between Trinidad and Martinique. It is a part of the West Indies and 305 square miles in size. On this island the Church of God has established a beachhead, and now holds high the banner of King Emmanuel through three missions that have been organized there of recent date.

## THE CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION AND THE OPEN DOORS

By W. A. du PLOOY

(Note: Brother du Plooy, our missionary, has spent more than thirty years in the mission field of Africa, and his work covers Vendaland, Gazaland, Northern and Southern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, and Southern Belgian Congo—yes, the heart of Africa!)

In the past year, history was made in Africa. The three independent colonies, Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland, federated into one large Central African State. This has brought about many changes and benefits for the peoples of these countries. Our own work has also benefited. Doors are opening more than ever before.

Because of this, our training college at Matibi for handicraft, with its teachers and missionaries, has become much more important, as these teachers and missionaries will go forth in Central Africa proclaiming the glad tidings and helping to uplift the mothers of the land. This method has become the key to open the most difficult doors. The number of students for 1954 has been



increased by fifty. This naturally means more expenses. The other part of the work is also rapidly expanding.

Your prayers and help in the past have been greatly appreciated, and I must thank you on behalf of the Central African work very much. The Shangaan saying is "A ku si fika nkari wo veka matlari"; that is, "The time has not come to lay down your spears." Please, may I ask you to make this saying your theme. I assure you that the reward will be great.

**GOD NEEDS YOU! AFRICA NEEDS YOU! AND WE NEED YOU!**

**They reach their dusky hands to you;**

**For Bread of Life they cry.**

**If you are Christ's disciples true,**

**Can you their plea deny?**

**OH, AFRICA! DARK AFRICA!**

## NEWS LETTER FOM HAITI

Dear Friends at home:

The Lord is still blessing in Haiti. A few weeks ago Brother Lacombe, district pastor of the Port-au-Prince District, was at St. Marc for special services Sunday morning and Sunday night. Eight received the baptism of the Holy Ghost that Sunday, including the preacher—a result of our Bible School and Brother Stoppe's teaching.

In another few weeks we will be dedicating a new church building at Cabaret. The Board (that is, you folk at home) helped us build it, but the members of the Cabaret Church also did their part. The other week they had a harvest festival to raise construction money. They raised \$210.20, American money, which is not bad for a country church on the mission field with only eighty-four members. Watch the *Evangel* and you will see more about the dedication later.

A few weeks ago Brother Hell and I went to Grande Riviere for a special Sunday service. It took nearly all day Saturday, eleven hours, to get there. That included time-out for car trouble and two hours on horseback. We made it back in nine hours. This church is called the Friendship Memorial. The Friendship Sunday School Class of the Tremont Avenue Church in Greenville, S.C., gave money to help build it. While we were there, twenty-four persons were baptized in water, most of whom were from the Grande Riviere Church. The district pastor dedicated thirty-seven babies. When he and I were there six months previously, he dedicated over twenty. If we can win all the children, our future membership should be good.

After the morning service and dinner, we started home. Much of the narrow road winds through the mountains and is full of hairpin curves. We were on this section about 8:30 Sunday night. I was thinking of the churches back home and the fact that the ones in the eastern and central time zones were then in service. All of a sudden it seemed that I heard an inner voice praying and saying: "Lord, bless our missionaries wherever they may be tonight." I believe with all my heart that someone, somewhere was praying.

The twelfth of this month the bulldozer started on the road into our new property. It's a Caterpillar D-8, which is a big machine. Much to our surprise it cut the road through in three days. We'll be putting in ditches and culverts and scraping and rolling the surface right away.

Already the cars can be driven on top. As I saw the bulldozer working, I said over and over again in my heart, "Thank the Lord." We hope to begin our Bible School and houses soon. Pray for us that the Lord will guide and help us in this project. He has provided till now and I know He will continue to do so. We have received a permit from Public Works to go ahead with the construction. We have made an appeal for a customs' franchise, also. It is very possible that it will be granted. If it is, we can buy materials here or bring them in without paying customs.

Remember your missionaries and the work in prayer.—Yours in the Master's service, James M. Beaty.

Missionaries in Haiti:

Wayne, Virginia, and Duane Hell

Odine Morse

James and Virginia Beaty

## A SILENT DEMONSTRATION

God had only one Son, and He was a Foreign Missionary.

The followers of Jesus were first called Christians in a foreign missionary church.

Every book in the New Testament was written by a foreign missionary.

Every Epistle in the New Testament was written to a convert of foreign missions or to a foreign mission church.

The book of Revelation was written to seven foreign missionary churches.

The Gospel of Luke was written by a foreign missionary convert.

The book of Acts describes the first foreign missionary journeys.

Every apostle but one became a foreign missionary.

The only one who did not become a foreign missionary was a traitor.

—Source Unknown.

## BY FAITH

By A. M. QUICK

He stood beneath Chaldean skies and heard  
The voice of God. Beyond the farthest star,  
Whose light mysterious shone above the night,  
The word of the Eternal from afar  
Entered his heart and called him to go out  
Into a far country. I think the angels sang  
When Abraham obeyed and ventured forth,  
And all the sweet-toned bells of heaven rang.

By faith beyond the hills of Canaan's land  
He saw a city's golden walls arise,  
All beautiful beyond the mind of man:  
By faith he pressed him forward to the prize.  
By faith, the glorious kingdom shining bright!  
By faith in Christ, the Saviour's throne of light!

## SEEING JESUS

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said what He meant and meant what He said. He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life—the only Door into heaven. Should this message of repentance, which ushered in this present dispensation of grace, be modified for a modernized and streamlined gospel? NO! “. . . for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” Modernism seeks to destroy this and other cardinal truths of the Word of God, but by pulling the varnish and veneer off modernism, you'll discover its origin—conceived of the devil and born in hell.

On one occasion Jesus asked Peter what men had to say regarding His identity. Peter replied that some thought Him to be Elijah, others supposed Him to be Jeremiah, and many thought He was John the Baptist. Then Jesus became more specific and asked Peter his opinion concerning His identity. Peter quickly replied, “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

His statement was not a snap judgment—he did not first speak and then think—he was not ill-informed. Peter was a disciple; he saw and heard the things which Jesus did and taught. Many gave clear-cut, positive statements as to whom Jesus really was. Just to mention a few, think of Philip, Nathanael, Andrew, and the woman of Samaria. We must be like them. We must, through an experiential knowledge of the wondrous workings of His grace within, make a personal declaration of His deity and testify to His power sublime. Even the Roman centurion knew Him because of the quiet yieldingness with which He, praying for the forgiveness of the ruthless men who had wronged Him, hung on the cross. When the sun refused to shine and the earth began to tremble, he exclaimed, “Surely this was the Son of God.”

When Eliezer, the servant of Abraham, was returning from his mission of selecting a bride for his master's son, Isaac, he was faithful to inform Rebekah about this young man she was soon to meet. As he talked to her, she found herself in love with Isaac before she had ever met him! Why? because she was thrilled and pleased at the thought of meeting such a wonderful person as Isaac seemed to be. We, too, though never having seen Jesus, love Him dearly because of the divine proclamation of love written with the nails of the cross of Calvary where Jesus died. This message emanates from the throne of God and is conveyed to our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who is now preparing a bride for Christ.

A little girl listened to the preacher as he told about that wonderful place called heaven. He told of the gates of pearl, the walls of jasper, and the streets of gold. Finally, the little girl, with tears dimming her vision, turned to her mother and sobbed, “Mommy, heaven will be a wonderful place, but most of all I want to see Jesus—the One who died for you and Daddy and me and heals us when we're sick.”

Thomas was called a doubter because he did not accept Jesus as being supernatural and equal with the Father—that is, not until after the resurrection. When told that Christ had risen from the dead and had appeared to several of them, Thomas ignored the possibility and declared that he wouldn't believe until he saw Jesus and touched Him. The time came when the disciples, including Thomas, were together in a room behind closed doors, at which time Christ came in and walked deliberately over to Thomas and told him to put his fingers in His nail-scarred hands and to thrust his hands into

His riven side. Thomas fell on his knees and exclaimed, “My Lord and my God.” We must not be doubters as Thomas was. We must see Christ as our Lord and our God even before we see Him in person.

Paul said in Hebrews 2:9, “But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels . . . crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.” It is the privilege of every person to fall in His presence and to catch a vision of Him in His humanity—suffering untold pain and dying the ignominious death of the cross—and to see Him in His deity—able to save from the uttermost to the uppermost. What condescension! He was made man to suffer and die; He died because He wanted to save us; He saved us because He loves us. People always want the visible, the tangible. Many doubt the reality of Christ because they can't see Him. We must see Jesus with our hearts, not with our eyes; with our spirits more than our minds. There are those who have started with real spiritual victory but lost sight of their Lord and turned back, but be assured that He can finish that which He has begun. Remember 1 Thessalonians 5:24, “Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.”

The Greeks came inquiring and said, “Sirs, we would see Jesus.” Most people have eyes for everything else but God. Many have other places to go than to church; they have other friends to know rather than Him “whom to know aright is life eternal.” They prefer to do other things rather than to serve God in the beauty of holiness. It is true that we are living in a world of complex affairs in which there are many voices calling to all of us, but if a person is desirous to know God, there will be, above the din and confusion, one different voice—that of our Master. There will be a revelation of Jesus which will never escape your memory!

## THE ORIGIN, EFFECTS, AND FINAL DISPOSITION OF SIN

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Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee,” John 5:5-14.

11. SIN BRINGS MISERY. “Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile,” Romans 2:9.

12. SIN BRINGS DEATH. “So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the Lord,” 1 Chronicles 10:13. “For the wages of sin is death,” Romans 6:23.

Friends, God knows all about us. Your sins are not hidden from Him. His unseen eye follows us continually. Let us think, say, and act our whole lives on earth with one eye on the oncoming judgment, where we shall give just account to God. “Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do,” Hebrews 4:13.

My two brothers and I have often tried to hide things from one another. No doubt each of us has tried to hide things from Mother and Dad at one time or another in our lives, but try as we may “We cannot hide (anything) from God.” I appreciate the call of God in my life, and may God help us to keep watch constantly so that each of us may be a vessel of honor to the glory of God.

Yes, I praise the name of Jesus that all three of the Culp boys are saved. Mother has set a very godly example for us to follow. Dad has done the same, and as a minister of the full gospel for almost thirty years, he has been a

blessing to many hundreds through pulpit, radio, and the printed page. Christ not only died for our family, but He did the same for you. Christ shed His blood on Calvary's cross that every sin and fetter and taint of sin might be removed to make us all members of that great family of God. Hallelujah!

#### THE EFFECTS OF SIN WILL BE THOROUGHLY REMOVED FROM EARTH

Professor Hitchcock said, "The earth contains within itself the agencies necessary to its desolation by fire. Under the crust of the earth, that is several miles thick, there is enough of fusion like lava, and many active volcanoes as breathing holes for the internal fires, that if combined with the gases in the air would destroy the earth and its civilization." Let the order be issued for its liberation, and these vents will belch forth fire and desolation. The works of man, in which we take so much pride, may be crumbled in a moment. We think of the many great discoveries of the scientists, especially the development of atomic power, but Peter, as he looked into the future, saw these things through the eyes of the Holy Spirit. (Please read 2 Peter 3:10 and 2 Peter 3:7.) There is something great in the future.

Oh, what hostility the world shows toward this great salvation. God's Word plainly declares that our only hope is in the blood of Christ. Yes, I repeat with great enthusiasm that the blood of Christ can cleanse from all sin and fear. It is good for you and your family and whosoever will. Will you accept just now God's remedy for sin? If you will, then you will be with Christ when "the heavens shall pass away with great noise." Get all sin—large, small, open, hidden (sin is sin)—under the blood. He is coming soon! Thank God for the Church of God that preaches this and for the hundreds of Church of God people who live it. He is coming soon.

#### THE WAR OF THE WORLDS

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heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great." Revelation 19:11-18.

Jerusalem will at last become "a city of peace." Its name literally means "foundation of peace." The world has never had peace since sin entered, and there can never be peace until the Prince of Peace rules in Jerusalem. Then the Holy City will be "the joy of the whole earth" and the foundation of peace for all the world. Peace, prosperity, and the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

To the carnal man there is little hope for the morrow, but to the spiritual man, to the blood-washed child of God, who is redeemed from the curse of the law, there is

a peace that passes all understanding. Having been purchased with the precious blood of Jesus, we can rest upon the promise, not of a statesman or a political party, but of Jesus Christ. "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also," John 14:2, 3. The comforting words spoken to the disciples by the angel of the Lord at Christ's ascension remain to comfort us today: "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven," Acts 1:11. Come desolation—and it will—come heartache and trouble, there seems to be no end to these. We can join with the apostle Paul in saying, "I know he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Now as always the Holy Spirit pleads with men to be reconciled to God, for now is the accepted time; now is the day of salvation. Let us not presume upon His long-suffering kindness, but let each find the place of favor at the feet of Jesus, the One whose brow was crowned with thorns, whose hands were nail-scarred, and "Which in his time he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords," 1 Timothy 6:15.

As the world moves on unheeding toward the tribulation period and Armageddon, may the children of God everywhere remember that, both then and now, "Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him!"

#### YE WHICH ARE SPIRITUAL

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the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law," Galatians 5:22, 23. Please take notice of the last few words of verse 23, "against such there is no law." Yes, there isn't any law which says that we must or can just love so far, and that is the limit. Whatever amount of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, or temperance it may take for you to overcome any and every problem, trial, or burden, God's grace is sufficient to supply your need only for the asking. "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you," Matthew 7:7.

THE WORDS of my text state that "ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness." Whenever someone is in need of help, we who are spiritual should give him aid. If we are not spiritual, we cannot hope to be able to deliver someone, because if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into the ditch. We do not fight against flesh and blood, but against powers, and principalities in high places. We need the power of God within us so that we may be able to deliver those in need.

When we are fleshly and not spiritual, we condemn our brother in his wrongdoing, but we should love him and encourage him to find his strength in the Lord. "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law," Romans 13:8. Jesus gave many examples of His love to those who needed help. "And he spake this parable unto them, saying, What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of



them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost," Luke 15:3-6. "When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more," John 8:10, 11.

We who are spiritual are to help the weak. We are supposed to be examples to them, and minister unto them—not judge them. Let us seek to be spiritual so that we may be able to rescue the perishing. If we, who are supposed to be the light of the world, can't help those in need, how are they going to be helped? Who will tell them the "good news" that Jesus died to save them from their sins? Let us seek to be spiritual and to have the fruits of the Spirit, which are these—love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance—working and bringing forth their fruits in our daily lives.

## RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE LEAVES WOMAN ABLE TO WALK AND EAT

By WILLIAM SHAW



**READING THE BIBLE**—In the Biblical days people were healed by having faith and the same thing is happening today. Last week at the Church of God in Lakedale, Mrs. Pearl Bullock entered the church with the aid of a crutch. After being prayed for by visiting Evangelist F. H. Collier, she left the crutch in the church and walked home unassisted.

A Massey Hill housewife, crippled for eleven years, is walking about normally today. She left her crutch in church.

And she's eating solid foods for the first time since she suffered a stroke six years ago.

"Have faith in God and you can be

healed as I have," says Mrs. Pearl Bullock, of 2024 Progress Street, Massey Hill.

Mrs. Bullock, wife of a Lakedale machinist, says that God's hand touched her and cured her ills March 15 at the Lakedale Church of God during services conducted by F. H.

Collier, a visiting evangelist.

Back in 1938 Mrs. Bullock suffered her first stroke. She survived only to be stricken again in 1943. The second stroke left her lame in the left foot and hand.

She learned to use a crutch. She hobbled down steps backward. She dragged her foot on the floor and ground and had to have metal taps put on the bottom of her left shoe so it wouldn't wear out so quickly. She wanted to visit relatives in other states, but was unable to do so because of her condition.

But all that is changed now. Mrs. Bullock relates in her own words her wonderful experience.

"About half way through the sermon," she says, "the evangelist said someone could get healed if they wanted to be prayed for and would come up to the rostrum. Several people were ahead of me, because I had to take time to pick up my crutch and drag along.

"When the evangelist laid his hand on my head and prayed for me, I felt the Spirit go from the top of my head, out of my fingers, down through my body and out of my toes.

"I didn't know anything for a little while and when I came to know anything I was sitting in a chair and the preacher said that I had been walking without my crutch. He asked me if I wanted to tell the congregation what the Lord had done for me. I told the congregation I hadn't walked without a crutch in eleven years and that I thanked God for healing my body."

After telling her thrilling story, the neat, slender housewife told of the hardships she suffered prior to the time of her healing, and the everyday happenings that she now enjoys. For instance, before she was healed Mrs. Bullock's diet consisted entirely of liquids. The reason for the liquid diet, Mrs. Bullock declared, was that according to doctors the nerves in her throat were dead, and thus she could not get solid food past her throat. The Tuesday after being healed Monday night Mrs. Bullock fasted her breakfast because she had promised to give up her breakfast for the Lord.

Tuesday at noon Mrs. Bullock seated herself at the table and lunched on butterbeans, backbone, pickles, and biscuits. This was the first solid food that had passed her throat in six years.

When asked if she thought that she could eat solid food on that day, Mrs.



**FAITH RESTORES USE OF LIMBS**  
—Mrs. Pearl Bullock is shown using doorsteps the way any normal person would, but until a few days ago Mrs. Bullock had to use a crutch to climb steps and had to back down slowly because a stroke had rendered her left leg and hand useless. She feels she was healed by the power of God at a revival service recently.

Bullock replied, "I was sure that I could eat solid food. When the Lord heals, He does a good job."

Mrs. Bullock has suffered six strokes since the first one in 1938. The most recent stroke occurred in 1952. Mrs. Bullock joined the Church of God in December of 1953. It was the first church that she has belonged to since she was a young child.

Mrs. Bullock has been invited to several churches in this area and one in Pembroke and Rocky Mount to give her testimony in hope that it will help others to have faith and be healed by the power of God.—**THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER**, Fayetteville, North Carolina, March 24, 1954.

## reports

**WAYNESBURG, Penn.**—We are very happy to announce that we burned the mortgage on our church on May 2, 1954. That was a great day for this congregation, for we have worked hard toward this goal for several years. We have raised several thousand dollars in the past six months toward this mortgage, besides taking care of our regular expenses. Our state overseer, C. J. Hindmon, was with us for the occasion and was the main evening speaker. We were also privileged to have with us the present judge of Green County, Pennsylvania, the Honorable J. I. Hook; Attorney Robert Thompson, who is a local civic leader; and Funeral director, William Garrison, who represented the Waynesburg Chamber of Commerce.

Our church building, housing the auditorium, Sunday School department, pastor's office, and six-room parsonage, is now debt free, but we are already finding that the building is too small for our growing group. A few weeks ago the pastor, Rev. Thomas R. Culp, and family moved to a new parsonage two houses from the church. We are anticipating making this whole building into the church auditorium and Sunday School

department only. This move was made necessary by the increase in attendance in Sunday School and regular services.

During the past two years, we have reached many new goals. This faithful congregation has worked hard and is to be complimented. We have recently secured the following items to help us in our presentation of the gospel in this community: late model bus, movie projector, filmstrip projector, duplicating machine, adding machine, parking lot, new electric Hammond organ, air-cooling fans, and a tape recorder for the Home Extension Department. The L.W.W.B. and the A.G.A. (Men's group) have been very active and cooperative, and we thank them for their part in the attainment of every goal.

The previous pastors have all had a part in making this goal possible, and we wish to take this opportunity to thank them. We thank the Lord for our present pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Thomas R. Culp. They have been loyal to the cause of Christ and the Church of God. We give all the praise for our attainments to the Christ who gave His life for us.—Roy Lemasters, Church Clerk.

A survey of 3,559 homes by the National Council of Churches and Yale Divinity School shows that children of the new "television generation" average more than 13 hours a week in front of their TV sets. Favorite programs are variety shows and westerns.

### CAMP MEETINGS—1954

State	Date	Place	Speaker
ALABAMA	June 28-July 4	Birmingham	A. M. Phillips, E. M. Ellis
ARKANSAS	July 12-18	Bald Knob	H. D. Williams
CALIFORNIA-NEVADA	July 5-11	Arlington, Calif.	Vep Ellis
DELAWARE-D. C.-MARYLAND	July 19-25	Hurlock, Md.	Vep Ellis
GEORGIA	June 21-27	Doraville	Ray Hughes
INDIANA	July 13-17	Indianapolis	R. P. Johnson Harry Mushegan
KANSAS			
Youth Camp	June 24-29	Coffeyville (Cedar Bluff Camp)	
MICHIGAN	June 24-27 (S. C.)	Detroit	John C. Jernigan, J. H. Walker
Youth Camp	July 12-17		
MISSISSIPPI	June 22-27	Hattiesburg	G. W. Lane, E. M. Ellis
MISSOURI	July 19-25	Arcadia	J. Frank Spivey
NEW ENGLAND	July 19-25	Appleton, Me.	J. A. Whitlow
Youth Camp	June 28-July 16		
NEW MEXICO	June 22-26	Roswell	C. R. Spain
NEW YORK	July 12-18	Brooklyn	P. H. McSwain
NORTH CAROLINA	June 28-July 4	Charlotte	James L. Slay, Charles W. Conn
NORTH & SOUTH DAK.	June 28-July 4	Minot, N. Dak.	
OKLAHOMA	June 28-July 4	Chandler	David Lemons, J. E. DeVore
OREGON-WASHINGTON	June 28-July 4	Woodland, Wash.	Vep Ellis
Youth Camp	June 21-27		
PENNSYLVANIA	June 28-July 8	Somerset	
SOUTH CAROLINA	June 28-July 4	Mauldin	D. C. Boatwright
TENNESSEE	June 21-27	Campground	James L. Slay, Charles W. Conn
TEXAS	June 28-July 4	Weatherford	Luther J. Turner
VIRGINIA	June 21-26	Radford	
WEST VIRGINIA	June 28-July 3	Beckley	
CENTRAL CANADA	July 5-11	London, Ontario	A. V. Beasube
WESTERN CANADA	July 6-11	Estevan, Sask.	

# A TRUCK FROM FLORIDA



Left to right: Brother George W. Ayers, Assistant Superintendent at the Sevierville Orphanage; Brother Perry Tharpe, Augusta, Fla.; Brother Henry Wilkins, Midway, Fla.; Brother Duane Mansell, Ruskin, Fla.; and Brother R. R. Walker, Superintendent of the Orphanage.

"Oh goody, goody, goody, a truck-load of watermelons from Florida." The alert eyes had seen the truck, watermelons, and the license plate. The first bell had rung, calling us to come in and "shine up" for supper. Of course, the news spread like wildfire, and most of the children knew where these three tired-looking men were from as they came walking down the aisle in the dining room. Brother Walker, our Superintendent, told the children how these faithful brethren had driven all night and all day to be with us. It turned out, however, that the truck wasn't full of watermelons. In addition to watermelons, there was fresh corn, peas, cucumbers, grapefruit, etc. It had canned goods, molasses, and 83,500 coupons, too. After supper, these brethren said glad "Howdys" to Sister Juanita Lee, from Largo, Florida, and Brother Jerry and Sister Betty Ginn, from St. Petersburg, Florida. Brother and Sister Ginn are cook and dining room hostess, and they were especially interested in "things to cook." Sister Lee is house mother to our baby girls, and they like what is cooked. The people from the Manatee District donated these goodies, and Brother Tharpe (pictured above) gave the use of his truck for the trip.

After supper, these brethren were assigned to one of our guest rooms, but when 7:30 came, here they were, walking down the aisle in the auditorium, dressed in nice suits. They were here to help in our revival service. Each gave a testimony, and Brother Mansell sang. He was accompanied

at the piano by our evangelist, Brother Bennie Triplett. They had gone to school together, but Brother Triplett didn't know Brother Mansell could sing, and Brother Mansell didn't know Brother Triplett could play. Imagine what happened! Yes, you're right, an excellent rendition of "He'll Understand and Say 'Well Done.'" We enjoyed having them with us. The revival is still going. You will read about it in another issue of the *Evangel*. We sincerely appreciate what these faithful friends of ours are doing to help us. We desire that you continue to pray that we shall be a blessing.—Mrs. George W. Ayers, Reporter.



Orphanage. I saved \$5.35 last year and I turned it into our church in Mishawaka, Indiana, 2511 Milburn Boulevard. This year I have \$5.00 saved and I thought that I would send it myself.—A friend, Bobby Bailey, Route 4, Cassopolis, Michigan.

Dear Children,  
I am a ten-year-old boy. I am very thankful to the Lord that I have a wonderful dad and mom, and my heart goes out to you boys and girls. My family doesn't have very much, but, as I have had a little money along, I have been putting it in my pig bank for the

Add this to your list of testimonies printed in the pamphlet distributed by the Orphanage. These were left out by mistake.—R. R. Walker, Superintendent of the Church of God Orphanage.

I love the Lord deep down in my heart, because He first loved me. I'm glad that one day He reached down His hand and lifted me out of the pits of sin and set me free. I know I am free by the blood of Jesus, and I am thankful for the many blessings He has given me. I am determined to go all the way with Jesus, and my desire is to see all sinners saved. Pray for me.—Jacquelyn Hoover, age 12.

I have just recently been saved. I could never thank God enough for what He has done for me. He has given me a wonderful Christian home, food, clothing; and I truly thank God for the Church of God Orphanage. I wish that I had the words in my heart to express how much I love the Lord. Words could never express what I feel in my soul. I praise God for sending Brother and Sister Walker to our home. They have been such a blessing to me in my Christian experience, and I love them. I feel as if God has something for me to do. No matter what it is, I am willing to do it to the best of my ability. I am enjoying the blessings of God, for He has done something special for me. He has saved, sanctified, and filled me with the great Holy Ghost; and I thank Him for the great Church of God of which I am now a member. I desire the prayers of all of God's people everywhere. Pray for me.—Sarah Dempsie, age 17.

I really thank the Lord for saving me from a life of sin. I thank Him for His love. I really want to do more and more for Him, for there are many people in the world who need Him as their Saviour. As much as He has done for us all, I don't see how people can turn Him down. Friend, when you are alone and have no one to look to, just look to Jesus. He will carry you through. I could not do without Him, for I cannot stand alone. So, friend, look to Him today. He is a big God, ready to save you from your sins, if you will only look to Him and come down to the foot of the cross and give your life to Him. We can all be ready to meet Him in the air. Pray for me that God will make me a blessing to others.—Tommy Sizemore, age 17.

I thank God for saving me and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I thank Him for my mother and father. I thank them for my being, for food, and for my home.—Norman Rittenhouse, age 8.

I just don't know where to begin, because the Lord has blessed me so many times. First of all, I am glad that I am a child of God, determined to make heaven my home, and my feet are on the highway of holiness. You know, God is wonderful! If it were not for His saving my soul from a devil's hell, I don't know where I would be today. I have thanked God



many times for an Orphanage like this. I really appreciate it. Thank God! I love the Lord. Pray that I will stay on the highway of holiness and be a soul-winner for Jesus. Praise the Lord!—Leo Glen Edwards, age 15.

I received the Holy Ghost this summer. I want to make heaven my home. I am glad that Jesus saved me and that I have the great Holy Ghost. I thank God for this.—Jonathan Schetrom, age 9.

I thank God for what He has done for me. I thank Him for saving me and filling me with the Holy Ghost

and for the many times He has healed me. I thank Him for the many blessings He has given to me, and I thank God for a saved Mother and Father, also. I thank God for having the Bible to go by. I thank Him for saving my two brothers and sister and for giving them the Holy Ghost. I thank Him for permitting me to go to church and school. I thank Him because He is a forgiving God. I thank Him for a good home, clothing, water, air, food, preachers, a clean heart, and good health. I want everyone to pray for my two brothers in sin, and pray that I will make it through.—Paul Henry Rittenhouse, age 11.



#### FLORIDA

**PENSACOLA, Fla.**—The Church of God here has had one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church. Truly, the city was moved by the revival. About 50 were saved, 30 sanctified, 30 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 30 united with the church. Our evangelist was Walter Skutar.—Reporter.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.**—Our church is now in a great revival. Drunkards are being converted. Crowds are increasing and many great healings are taking place. About 35 have been saved, 17 have received the Holy Ghost, and 11 have joined the church. The meeting is still going.—Reporter.

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.**—Our church has had an outstanding revival. Rev. John Padgett preached the first two weeks and Sister Jimmie Burgett continued for five more weeks. Forty were saved, 24 sanctified, 28 baptized with the Holy Ghost, 15 added to the church, and 7 baptized in water. Since the revival, we have conducted a very successful contest in our Y.P.E. During this contest, we received 45 subscriptions to the *Evangel*, 60 to the *Lighted Pathway*, and over 13,000 coupons for the Orphanage. The Lord has been blessing us graciously.—Paul S. Shoemaker, Pastor.

#### GEORGIA

**WEST GREEN, Ga.**—We are happy to report a two-week revival at Pine View Church of God. Sister Hazel Gann, of Soddy, Tennessee, did the preaching. The church was blessed, the Holy Ghost moved in a wonderful way, sinners came to the altar and found Jesus. Many were saved and sanctified and six were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Several were healed. We give God all the praise.—Reporter.

#### KENTUCKY

##### Telegram

**LOUISVILLE, Ky.**—Faith Temple Church of God (formerly East Louisville) in God-given revival with Evangelist J. E. DeVore. We are having an-

#### CORRECTION

In the May 29, 1954, issue a revival report was published which should have been accredited to the Church of God at 1316 Kentucky Avenue, Akron, Ohio, with Sister Bessie Moore, evangelist, instead of to just Akron, Ohio, since there are two Churches of God there.

ointed Bible preaching, fervent praying, heavenly music and singing, and spiritual worship. People are being saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, healed, and added to the church.—J. David Pitts, Pastor.

#### MISSISSIPPI

**GRENADA, Miss.**—The church here has experienced an old-fashioned Holy Ghost revival with the power of God present in every service. The revival ran for three weeks with good attendance every night. Our evangelist was Rev. Winfred A. Petty. Fifteen were saved, 7 sanctified, and 8 filled with the Holy Ghost. We believe that our church will grow under the leadership of our good pastor, Rev. A. D. Gammill, and family.—Clarence Costlow, Reporter.

#### MISSOURI

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.**—We have just had a revival with Evangelists Curtis Matheny and Glyndon Logsdon, Jr., graduates of Northwest Bible Academy in Minot, North Dakota. They did fine preaching, and 2 were converted and 8 filled with the Holy Ghost. The revival meant much to this new work, for many were blessed, new people found the church, and the church seemingly found favor with the people. We were also blessed by the presence of Brother R. Nicely, pastor of the Calvin Church of God in Persinger, West Virginia, and Sister Nicely.—C. E. Yates, Pastor.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

**CRAMERTON, N. C.**—“The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.” Yes, the good Lord is blessing here at our church; He is doing great things for us, and we are expecting Him to do even greater things. We have a pastor who, with his good wife, is willing to work in any way possible to be a blessing to everyone. In any undertaking, they are

right there doing everything they can to help put the program over. We certainly appreciate Brother and Sister Jump for their untiring efforts to help the church and community. God is blessing in every department. We have had two revivals this year: one with Brother Hare from Asheville; the other with Brother Anders from Mooresville. God gave us souls in both revivals. Several backsliders were reclaimed. Pray for us that our church will be a soul-saving station where many souls will be rescued and brought into the fold.—Eunice Smith.

**RANDLEMAN, N. C.**—We have just had a wonderful revival. We had 10 saved, 4 sanctified, and 7 baptized with the Holy Ghost. Five members were added to the church. Sister Grace Bell, of Pensacola, Florida, was our speaker. We thank God for her wonderful singing and ministry and the way she has helped our church. Our Sunday School has doubled in number; we had 171 on May 30. God is really blessing our church in a great way.—Paul Flowers, Pastor.

**TENNELINA, N. C.**—We have just had a three-week revival. Fifteen were saved, 5 sanctified, 2 baptized with the Holy Ghost, 5 baptized in water, and 1 was added to the church. Our evangelist was Rev. Robert Watson. Any church would be blessed to have Brother Watson for a revival.—Gladys Putnam.

#### PENNSYLVANIA

**CLAYSBURG, Penn.**—God has been blessing His church here. The average attendance in Sunday School for ten months prior to April was about 77. The all-time record attendance was 117. Two weeks before Easter, God blessed us with 102 present. The blessing did not stop there but has continued. Since that time, the Sunday School attendance has not dropped below 100, and the 117 record has been broken twice with 156 present on Easter, and 133 on Mother's Day.

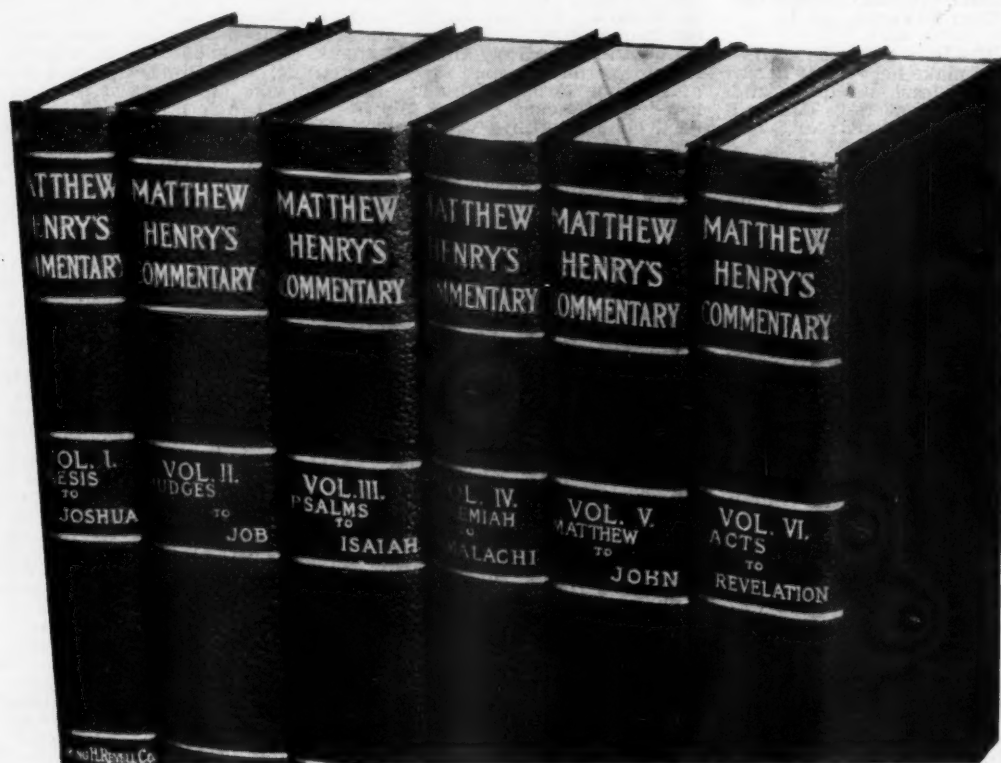
We do not have enough room to accommodate our Sunday School; therefore, we have launched an improvement program to enlarge the present building. We are looking for greater things in the future. For all these blessings we humbly give God the glory.—Hoyt Williams, pastor.

#### TEXAS

**PARIS, Texas**—Another good revival has just been held here. Eight were saved, 6 sanctified, 6 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 7 added to the church. Brother and Sister Joe Blackshear were the evangelists. God is surely blessing their ministry. After the revival, our pastor, Rev. Ray T. Hill, baptized 13 in water. For all of these we truly praise our wonderful God.—Mrs. J. C. Coker.

#### VIRGINIA

**BLUEFIELD, Va.**—The Church of God here, where Rev. Norman Smiddy is pastor, has just had a wonderful eight-week revival. It was held in the church for six weeks and then in the City Auditorium for two weeks. Many were saved and healed. The evangelist was Walter Skutar.—Reporter.



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